# 67-09-Child Care Resource Development

Fund/Agency: 001/67 Department of Family Services					
Personnel Services	\$466,672				
Operating Expenses	\$64,068				
Recovered Costs	\$0	CAPS Percentage of Agency Total			
Capital Equipment	\$0				
Total CAPS Cost:	\$530,740	0.3%			
Federal Revenue	\$0				
State Revenue	\$0				
User Fee Revenue	\$13,781				
Other Revenue	\$1,631				
Total Revenue:	\$15,412	99.7%			
Net CAPS Cost:	\$515,328	■ Child Care Resource Development ■ All Other Agency CAPS			
Positions/SYE involved in the delivery of this CAPS	10/10				

## **▶** CAPS Summary

Child Care Resource Development provides the following programs and services:

<u>The Employer Child Care Council</u> was established in 1987 by the Board of Supervisors to encourage the corporate community to get actively involved in developing child care resources for their employees. The Council provides technical assistance, presentations and resource materials for employers to successfully develop work/family programs, and promotes business involvement in increasing the supply of child care in the County.

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### The Child Care Resource System

- Increases the supply of child care to meet the steady increase in demand for child care services through recruitment of family child care providers and assistance in child care center development;
- Provides consumer education to Fairfax County parents to help them select care that is most appropriate to their specific family needs;
- Maintains an automated database with comprehensive information about child care resources in Fairfax County that can be accessed in person, on the phone and over the internet.

Ninety-five percent of the parents who use these services continue to indicate they are highly satisfied with the services and information.

<u>Grants and Resource Development</u> develops proposals for additional funding from Federal, State, corporate and foundation sources and leverages multiple funding streams to meet the child care needs of Fairfax County families.

Future initiatives will focus on expanding partnerships to build and maintain a quality child care supply. Recruitment strategies implemented during FY 2001 for the "Making a Living. Make a Difference" recruitment campaign have surpassed campaign goals, resulting in 489 new applications for Home Child Care Permits in FY 2001. These efforts will continue to be accomplished in collaboration with other County and community organizations through outreach to citizens, especially those from diverse language and cultural backgrounds. In addition, new services will take full advantage of technological advances that will assist parents in finding child care and will help child care providers market their services on-line 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

#### Method of Service Provision

Services are provided directly by County child care professionals who are located in the Pennino Building between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Services are also provided on selected evenings and weekends as well as at community locations. The OFC web pages provide access to information about finding child care, employer child care benefits and marketing of child care services. Parents can also obtain lists of child care services available in Fairfax County through an on-line search function on these web pages.

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### Performance/Workload Related Data

Title	FY 1998 Actual	FY 1999 Actual	FY 2000 Actual	FY 2001 Estimate*	FY 2002 Estimate**
Child care information requests answered	13,720	14,707	13,963	11,266***	14,500
Child care options included in database	1,653	1,941	1,901	1,859	2,300
New providers recruited by campaign	NA	NA	NA	489	500

<sup>\*</sup> Data shown is FY 2001 actual.

### User Fee Information

Subobject Code	Fee Title		FY 2002 ABP Fee Total
0692	Child Care Resource Center Referral Listing Fees		\$13,781
Current Fee		Maximum Allowable Fee Amount	
\$15.00 Child ( Child Care Providence	Care Centers; \$8.50 Family ders	NA NA	

### Purpose of Fee:

Annual fees collected from home child care providers and centers to be listed with DFS.

Levy		Year Fee Was
Authority	Requirements to Change the Fee	Last Adjusted
DFS-OFC	Policy decision by Department	2001

#### Other Remarks:

Subsequent to the adoption of the FY 2002 budget, a departmental policy change occurred in FY 2001 whereby this fee is no longer being charged in an effort to encourage child care centers and providers to list their information on the data base, which is beneficial to the community and citizens seeking child care services.

<sup>\*\*</sup> FY 2002 estimates are based on FY 2001 actuals.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Beginning in January 2001, parents have been able to access information about child care resources from the OFC County web pages. This number reflects responses to in-person and phone requests only.